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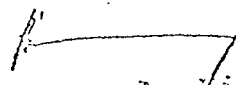
September 11, 1975

Dear Bill:

During the long negotiations between Egypt and Israel which culminated in the Agreement of this past week, a small, discreet group of your specialists has supported us with expert analyses and long hours of hard work. I would appreciate it if you could find a way to express my personal thanks to each one of them and to tell them that their work was a significant contribution to our ability to conduct these negotiations successfully.

In my view, the close relationship between my colleagues and yours in this effort has been an outstanding model of how the knowledge and analytical capability which this Government has at its command can be brought to bear on problems of high policy. In this case, this relationship enabled us at several important stages in these negotiations to maintain our own independent view of the situation and of what was required to break the several stalemates in the negotiations.

Warm regards,



Henry A. Kissinger

The Honorable
William E. Colby,
Director,
Central Intelligence Agency.